

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An attitude adjusting device for a sphere comprising a roller for rolling a sphere mounted thereon by a rotation, and a stopper for abutting on a protruded portion present on a surface of the sphere to stop the rolling of the sphere,
wherein the roller includes a portion having a small diameter which is ~~concave~~ concave along the surface of the sphere.
2. (Currently Amended) The attitude adjusting device according to claim 1, wherein an axially sectional shape of a surface of the portion of the roller having a small diameter is a substantially circular arc and a radius R1 of the circular arc is 1.00 to 1.10 times as large as a radius R2 of the sphere.
3. (Original) The attitude adjusting device according to claim 1, wherein the roller includes a plurality of grooves extended in an axial direction on a surface of the portion having a small diameter.
4. (Currently Amended) An attitude adjusting device comprising a roller for rotating to roll a golf ball taken out of a mold and having a spew stuck onto a surface thereof in a state in which the golf ball is mounted thereon; and
a stopper for abutting on the spew to stop the rolling of the sphere,
wherein the roller includes a portion having a small diameter which is ~~concave~~ concave along the surface of the golf ball, and
an axially sectional shape of a surface of the portion of the roller having a small diameter is a circular arc and a radius R1 of the circular arc is 21.3 mm to 23.5 mm.
5. (Original) The attitude adjusting device according to claim 4, wherein a rotating speed of the roller is 30 rpm to 130 rpm.

6. (Currently Amended) The attitude adjusting device according to claim 4, wherein the stopper comprises two stopper parts ~~comprising two stoppers~~ opposed to each other with the golf ball interposed therebetween, positions of both of the ~~stoppers~~ stopper parts being set in such a manner that a difference ($L - D$) between a distance L between the ~~stoppers~~ stopper parts and a diameter D of the golf ball is 0.1 mm to 0.6 mm.
7. (Currently Amended) A golf ball manufacturing method comprising the steps of:
forming a golf ball having a spew stuck onto a surface by a material put in a mold;
rolling the golf ball over a roller including a portion having a small diameter which is ~~concave~~ concave along a surface of the golf ball;
stopping the rolling of the golf ball by abutment of the spew on a stopper; and
removing the spew.
8. (New) The method according to claim 7, wherein an axially sectional shape of a surface of the portion of the roller having a small diameter is a substantially circular arc and a radius $R1$ of the circular arc is 1.00 to 1.10 times as large as a radius $R2$ of the sphere.
9. (New) The method according to claim 7, wherein the roller includes a plurality of grooves extended in an axial direction on a surface of the portion having a small diameter.
10. (New) The method according to claim 7, wherein an axially sectional shape of a surface of the portion of the roller having a small diameter is a circular arc and a radius $R1$ of the circular arc is 21.3 mm to 23.5 mm.
11. (New) The method according to claim 7, wherein a rotating speed of the roller is 30 rpm to 130 rpm.
12. (New) The method according to claim 7, wherein the stopper comprises two stopper parts opposed to each other with the golf ball interposed therebetween, positions of both of the stopper

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parts being set in such a manner that a difference ($L - D$) between a distance L between the stopper parts and a diameter D of the golf ball is 0.1 mm to 0.6 mm.